

# July 4 Fight in Grave Danger Because of Trouble Between Johnson and George Little

## LITTLE MAY YET PUT A STOP TO JEFFRIES-JOHNSON BOUT

Serves Legal Papers on All Connected With the Big Fight.

### TROUBLE AROSE OVER TRAINING

Negro's Lax Methods Declared Responsible for Breach With Manager.

(Special to The Times.)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 10.—After twenty-four hours of peaceful calm the great Johnson-Jeffries fight balloon split open here last night, and through the rent appeared the head of George Little, deposed manager of Jack Johnson.

Little, armed with legal documents and in a fighting mood, proceeded to declare war on everybody concerned in the Independence Day battle. He inferred that his trouble with Johnson came as a result of his insisting that the new negro give the public a square deal on July 4. He declared boldly that he would have his share of all the money coming to Johnson from all sources, or there would be no fight.

He tore things wide open, and threw the promoters into a panic, and there is no predicting the ultimate end of the trouble. Little is furious at what he terms the attempt to "do" him out of his just deserts, and threatens that unless he is treated fairly by all concerned he will tell everything that heretofore has been a mystery.

#### Papers Are Served.

He declares that he has already bet \$20,000 on Johnson to win at excellent odds; that he is \$15,000 out of pocket to date as a result of the fight expenditures; that he will have 25 per cent of Johnson's share of purse, pictures, and all other incidentals as called for by his contract, or promoters must settle with him if the fight is to be held. His legal representative, one of the leading lawyers of the Pacific coast, is said to have declared to Little that if he stops the fight in two minutes unless he recovers every penny he is entitled to by his contract with Johnson.

Legal papers were served on Gleason, Johnson, Berger and Rickard in this city yesterday, warning them against disposing of any money or property which Johnson has or may have an interest in. Mr. Multhead, proprietor of the Seal Rock Hotel, got a similar paper, and Jeffries will be served at Rowlandman today.

#### Copy to Sullivan.

Another copy went to stakeholder Timothy Sullivan in New York.

Every one who in any way is connected with the fight has been served or will be served with a similar notice.

#### 25 Per Cent of Everything.

Little exhibited copies of his contracts with Johnson, drawn up by Adolph Marks, a leading theatrical lawyer of Chicago. They consist of two parts, one covering the sparring matches and the proceeds thereof, and the second covering all profits accruing from the moving pictures and all forms of entertainment in which Johnson is a factor. These contracts call for Little to receive 25 per cent of Johnson's earnings, and read alike in phraseology. The time the contract copies were exhibited the papers served on the promoters were also shown.

The Times representative, who was angry clear through, said, in discussing the trouble:

"They have got to rock with me in this thing. I am not out of it by any means. The fact that Johnson acknowledges that he has dispensed with my services does not let him off any one else out. The contracts that I hold are binding in every way, and represent just so much money to me. I am already out between \$15,000 and \$18,000 in real money, and I expect to get that back and my share of Johnson's percentage, both of the purse and the moving pictures."

#### Will Manage or No Fight.

"Anyone who thinks I am to be sidetracked in this matter is decidedly mistaken. I have been a factor in every step of the fight arrangements, and expect my share. If I am not given assurance that I will be taken care of there will be things doing, and I do not propose to wait until July 4 to start, either. So far as Johnson is concerned, I am his manager, and I will be in the ring with him on July 4 if there is a fight. I have an ironclad contract with him which runs until May 15, 1911."

Here Little showed what purported to be a copy of the contract in question, and the original of the same should be binding unless the courts of Illinois should hold that it is void on the grounds that it called for percentage of all receipts resulting from sparring exhibitions held in North and South America, Europe, Australia, England, and the British possessions. Little continued:

#### Lax Training Started It.

"Johnson is broke. It is my \$10,000 that is up as a forfeit for the fight. I helped to buy his home at 234 Wabash avenue, Chicago. I paid for his keep all winter and I have bet good money that he will beat Jeffries."

"I have always looked out for his interests and this whole trouble came about because I insisted that he train properly. When some other people heard this they thought they saw a chance to sidetrack me and declare on the proceeds of the fight. They got



SENATOR TIMOTHY D. SULLIVAN, New Yorker Who is Stockholder for the World's Championship Fight.

to Johnson and made trouble and Johnson got sore at me. Now it's my turn to make the trouble and I am about ready to cut loose.

"I was the man who suggested Rickard and as referee when the fighters could not agree. I knew three days before the public meeting that Rickard would be named unless there was an agreement on one of the men suggested. It is all a business proposition with me and I am fully protected. I do not propose to be cheated out of the money I already have up or the share of the profits which are justly mine. No business man in my place would stand for the crooked deal that Johnson and others are trying to give me. Unless I get a settlement in full I will be in the ring on July 4 to see that Johnson fights to win for me and my money. He can beat Jeffries for sure, and I have bet good money on it. If he tries to lay down on me or run away I will get him before he climbs through the ropes."

#### Will Not Be Dropped.

"I have caused to be served legal papers on the promoters, Johnson, and the proprietor of the Seal Rock Hotel. I have wired to the men in New York who are interested in the fight, stating what I propose to do, and warning them that they will have my share of the money that they are holding. After spending good money and time on the affair I don't propose to be caught asleep like Johnson's other managers. I'm a fighter and I am going to get mine. There will be no light unless I get what is rightfully mine. Morally and legally, I am entitled to what I propose to do, and all those men who have been advising Johnson to throw me overboard will find out before I am done how the American has whipped Welsh as he pleased."

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## DEPARTMENT RACE BECOMING CLOSER

Four Out of Five Teams Now Have Good Chance for Pennant.

The defeat of Commerce and Labor at the hands of Agriculture was a great surprise to the fans in the Department League, but nevertheless a glad one to the majority for the reason that it adds materially to the interest in the race.

At present any one of four of the five teams in the circuit has an excellent chance to win out. Navy, present leader in the race, is a strong team, but was off to a poor start, and with a record of six games lost out of seven played to date, can hardly be counted in the running.

Commerce and Labor is still leading with a record of six games won and two lost, a percentage of .750. Commissioners with .625 is second. A victory for the District Building team and another defeat for the Laborites would give the former the lead.

Postoffice and Agriculture have an even break to date with four games on each side of the column, and there is no telling but that either one of these teams might pass the leaders.

All games scheduled yesterday were called off on account of rain. Today the grounds generally are in poor condition with poor prospects for playing.

By defeating Leverage Pumping Station Cornell Company lessened the margin that separates it from top honors. The team was booked to play again yesterday afternoon, with Midway as opponent, but rain interfered. In order to defeat Midway the Cornell Company would have probably been forced to go the limit. Several notable additions have been made to the club ranks, and it is now composed of some of the fastest amateur players in these parts.

Logan Cunningham, a former Central High School boy, who has starred as an athlete at Princeton University for the past three seasons, was shifted to shortstop in the game with Holy Cross, and made good with a vengeance. He accepted every chance that came his way and contributed a brace of timely bingles. This is the fourth position Cunningham has played, he having been tried out at first base, in the outfield, and as pitcher. He has shown ability in each position.

The Mt. Pleasant nine of the Suburban League has been strengthened of late by the addition of Glenn McCombridge and Owen Harrah, two former Central High and Mt. Pleasant Athletic Club players. Both are outfielders of ability, and they are fairly good hitters.

The schedule committee of the amateur baseball commission has not as yet taken action regarding the post-season series. The members of the committee have been unable to agree upon a suitable date for the meeting, but hope to do so within the next few days.

The debut of the Chesapeake and Potomac baseball nine as a member of the Marquette League was characterized by one of the worst exhibitions of the season. The "Hello Boys" proved conclusively they are sadly in need of practice. The team is possessed of some good material and is bound to give a better account of itself at its next opportunity.

"Peewee" Evans, well known in amateur circles of the District, is a member of the Chesapeake and Potomac team. He played away from his standing in the game with Pension Bureau, falling down on two chances that came his way.

Southeast Y. M. C. A. has organized a baseball nine that bids fair to make a name for itself. The team opened its season on Wednesday with an easy victory over Strayers' Business College. Manager Oliver is anxious to complete his schedule, and would like to hear from all uniformed teams, averaging eighteen years. Address S. Oliver, Fifth and Virginia avenue southeast.

## GEORGETOWN PREPS BOOKED FOR GAME

Embryo Collegians' Eleven Included in Fredericksburg Football Schedule.

FREDERICKSBURG, June 10.—The Fredericksburg College football schedule for the fall of 1910 has been completed. Many of last year's stars will be back in the game, and much promising material is expected to enter college next fall. The prospects for a good team are better than they have been for years.

Charles S. Rowe, the student manager, and Sam Woodbridge, graduate manager, have arranged the following schedule:

October 5—Rock Hill College, at Fredericksburg.  
October 15—Randolph-Macon College, at Ashland.  
October 22—Eastern College, at Massachusetts.  
October 29—Woodberry Forest School, at Orange.  
November 5—Georgetown Preparatory School, at Fredericksburg.  
November 12—Washington College, at Chestertown, Md.  
November 19—William and Mary College, at Williamsburg.  
November 26—Maryland Agricultural College, at Fredericksburg.  
November 24—Bethel Military Academy, at Fredericksburg.

## AMATEUR LEAGUES.

### Games Today.

Bankers' League—A. S. & T. Co. vs. National Security.  
Capital City League—St. Stephens, vs. Aloysius Club.  
Commercial League—B. & W. vs. Brentano's.  
Departmental League—P. O. vs. Agriculture.  
Independence League—Twining City vs. National Union.  
Marquette League—Columbia (101) vs. C. & P. Telephone Co.  
Olympia League—St. Stephen's vs. Madeira.  
Railroad League—Adams vs. Station.  
Southern Railway League—No game today.  
Suburban League—Woodburn vs. Silver Spring.  
Sunday School League—Sixth vs. Ninth.  
Colored Departmental League—Open date.

### CORNELL ELECTS CAPTAIN.

ITHACA, N. Y., June 10.—Edward Gault MacArthur, of Hudson, N. Y., was today elected captain of the Cornell track team for the next year at a meeting of the men who took part in the dual and intercollegiate meets. MacArthur is a junior in the College of Law. He won in this year in the quarter mile race in the Princeton meet, and later won second place in the intercollegiate track meet at Philadelphia. He has been a member of the team for two years. MacArthur also has the football "C" having played end on the varsity team for two years.

## TOURISTS TRAVEL OVER ROUGH ROADS

"Under Three Flags" Car Ferries to Island in Ottawa River.

CASCADE, Quebec, June 10.—The "Under Three Flags" touring car, "Flanders, Twenty" reached the foot of the Lachine canal here last night, after spending three hours on Isle Perrot in the Ottawa river, where it encountered rough roads. The island is uninhabited, save by the employees of a big dynamite factory. The tourists ran twenty-five miles out of Montreal, though Lachine, Dorval, and St. Anne de Bellevue, at a rapid rate. They ferried to Isle Perrot and there began a process of alternate wallowing and bouncing that finally landed them on the western shore.

The car was ferried across to the main land and proceeded to Cascade, where the night was spent.

### SPEEDING RECTOR FINED.

BOSTON, June 10.—In the municipal court the Rev. John McG. Foster, rector of the Church of the Messiah (Episcopal), was fined \$30 for speeding his automobile. The Rev. Francis Buckner Boyer, rector of St. Martin's Episcopal Church, North Bedford, formerly of New York, was fined \$15 and costs at Providence for the same reason.

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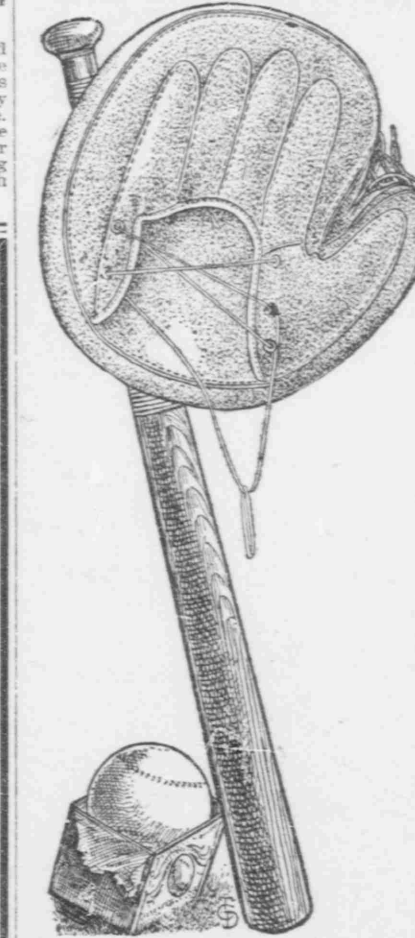
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